

# Central Canada Db2 | Toronto IMS

## Regional Users Groups

Tuesday May 13, 2025

8:00 - 9:00



Registration / Badge Pick-up & Breakfast  
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	Db2 for z/OS (Auditorium)	Db2 LUW (Maple Room)	IMS (Elm/Willow Room)	Application Development (Oak Room)
9:00 - 9:20	Welcome & Introduction - Andy Sykes, CCDUG President Sponsored by Broadcom			
9:20 - 10:00 Keynote	Future-Proofing Db2 and IMS: Thriving Amidst AI Disruption Greg Lotko Senior Vice President and General Manager of Mainframe Division Broadcom			

15min



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10:15 - 11:15 Session 1	ZOS-01 Db2 13 for z/OS Latest Features Mark Rader, Tori Felt - IBM - WSC	LUW-01 Db2 Latest from the Lab Mike Springgay - IBM	IMS-01 IMS Managed ACBs Update Depak Kohli - IBM	APP-01 Application Modernization - Considered these Db2 for z/OS Capabilities? Maryela Weihrach - IBM (Distinguished Engineer)
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11:30 - 12:30 Session 2	ZOS-02 The Db2 for z/OS Catalog and Directory The Past, Present, and Future John Lyle - IBM - SVL	LUW-02 IBM Database AI Assistant for Db2 David Kalmuk - IBM	IMS-02 Get With The Program: Understand What IMS Applications Can Do, and How To Benefit From APIs Suzie Wendler - IBM	APP-02 Transform your mainframe experience w/ conversational AI & automation Sowmya Kameswaran - IBM SVL
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60min

lunch

13:30 - 14:30 Session 3	ZOS-03 Fear no Threads: Secure and Monitor Db2 with Profile Tables Toine Michielse - Broadcom	LUW-03 Db2 SaaS – An update and a look into the future Andrew Hilden - IBM	IMS-03 Improving the IMS DBA and system programmer experience with a web browser interface Tracy Dean - IBM	APP-03 Strategies for Making Db2 Data Accessible with APIs Chris Crone - Broadcom
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14:45 - 15:45 Session 4	ZOS-04 Audit your Db2 for z/OS - Isn't she aDORable!! Roy Boxwell - SEGUS	LUW-04 Modernizing Db2 workloads on OpenShft/Kubernetes Aruna De Silva - IBM	IMS-04 Navigating the Nuances of IMS DDL: A Beginner's Expedition Radek Mrvec - Broadcom	APP-04 Leveraging VS Code for Mainframe Application Development with Db2 Vaughn Marshall - Broadcom
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16:00 - 17:00 Session 5	ZOS-05 Db2 for z/OS Health Check Topics Tori Felt, Mark Rader - IBM WSC	LUW-05 What's New and Coming Soon in Backup, Recovery, Log Mgmt, & HADR Ryan Xi - IBM	IMS-05 Keeping the IMS Catalog Healthy: Utilities Dennis Eichelberger - IBM	APP-05 Leveraging Metrics to Enhance IMS & Db2 Performance John Baker - IBM
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17:00 - 18:00



Vendor Expo



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9:00 - 10:00 Session 6	ZOS-06 Universal Tablespace update as of V13  David Simpson - Huntington	LUW-06 Optimizing Db2 LUW Performance with REORG: A Deep Dive into Db2 Tables and REORG Operations  Wei Cao - IBM	IMS-06 IMS Common Service Layer (CSL) Introduction  Deepak Kohli - IBM	APP-06 Exploit Certificates and eliminate tiresome password-pains in z/OS and USS  Ulf Heinrich - SEGUS

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10:15 - 11:15 Session 7	ZOS-07 Db2 for z/OS and Db2 Administration Foundation: An Installation Experience  Tori Felt, Anna McKee - IBM	LUW-07 Demystifying LOBs in Db2 LUW – Storage, Performance, and Best Practices  Chris Stojanovski - IBM	IMS-07 Innovative Customer Solutions to IMS Challenges  Gary Turner - BMC	APP-07 Mastering Db2 for z/OS Application Performance: Strategies for Success  Toine Michiels - Broadcom
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11:30 - 12:30 Session 8	ZOS-08 How to access Db2 for z/OS (and other Z data) in the cloud  Mehmet Cuneyt Goksu - IBM	LUW-08 Backup & Transaction Logs - Performance Tuning and Pruning  April Lico - IBM	IMS-08 IMS transaction orchestration for IMS Connect and MQSeries  Deepak Kohli - IBM	APP-08 Enhance Db2 Performance with Multi-Row Processing Techniques  Chris Crone - Broadcom
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13:30 - 14:30 Session 9	ZOS-09 How to Recover When Recovery Seems Impossible  Chad Reiber - BMC	LUW-09 Vector Support in IBM Db2: Powering Modern AI Applications  Shaikh Quader - IBM	IMS-09 IMS, analytics, and data streaming, oh my!  Tracy Dean - IBM	APP-09 Db2 for z/OS 101: This or That? Tools to interact with Db2 for z/OS!  Anna McKee & Bridget Berry - IBM WSC
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14:45 - 15:45 Session 10	ZOS-10 40 Years of Battle Scars from Managing Db2 for z/OS  Steen Rasmussen - Broadcom	LUW-10 Leveraging cloud-native features of Db2 12.1 Warehouse on AWS EKS  Janpreet Singh Chandhok	IMS-10 IMS Catalog Implementation: Some Missteps that Should be Avoided  Dennis Eichelberger - IBM	APP-10 FUN WITH SQL - interactive SQL challenges for all!  David Simpson - Huntington Bank + IDUG content Brian Laube - Manulife Financial + IDUG content
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Thank You!  
See you in 2026

